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MODERNSIATION OF COIR INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to modernise and upgrade the technology in the coir industry in the 11th Plan period;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the manner in which coir industry is likely to get funds for such technology upgradations;

(d) whether modernisatrion of coir industry is likely to increase employment opportunities in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) & (b): A new Central Sector Scheme − 'Rejuvenation, Modernisation and Technology Up gradation of the Coir Industry' is proposed to be introduced during 11th Plan with a budget outlay of Rs. 99.00 crore. The scheme envisages financial assistance to the coir yarn spinners and tiny/household units engaged in the weaving & production of value added products for the domestic and export market in a phased manner.

(c): The total outlay of the scheme is tentatively being proposed at Rs. 243 crore as per details given below:-

(i) Grant from Government of India Rs. 99 crore
(ii) Term Loan from financial
Institutions Rs. 132 crore
(iii) Beneficiary contribution Rs. 12 crore

The ratio of outlay of proposed scheme is detailed below:-

Category	Investment %	Term Loan %	Grant %
Spinning	5%	55%	40%
Tiny/Household	5%	55%	40%

(d) & (e) The scheme proposes to cover around 60800 beneficiaries during the XI Plan, out of which 36,800 are expected to be new employment. The scheme is under active consideration of Government.